

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1-28. (Canceled)

29. (Currently Amended) An information storage medium for storing audio information and image information, comprising:

a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information;
and

a management area configured to store management information of the audio information and the image information, the management information including first management information and second management information, wherein

the first management information includes a time search table configured to search for the stored audio information ~~sequence information regarding a display sequence of still images of the image information and timing information regarding a display timing of the still images,~~

the second management information includes numeral information describing a number status of the still images,

the management information of the image information includes plural sets of management information items, and

each set of the management information items is configured to contain said numeral information.

30. (Previously Presented) The medium of claim 29, wherein the management information provides a functionality with respect to the audio or image information such that when processed by a medium access device or apparatus, the audio or image information is managed and processed according to the management information.

31. (Currently Amended) A method for recording audio information and image information on an information storage medium which comprises a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information and a management area configured to store the management information of the audio information and the image information, the management information including first management information and second management information, wherein the first management information includes a time search table configured to search for the stored audio information ~~sequence information regarding a display sequence of still images of the image information and timing information regarding a display timing of the still images~~, the second management information includes numeral information describing a number status of the still images, the management information of the image information includes plural sets of management information items, and each set of the management information items is configured to contain said numeral information, said method comprising:

recording at least one of the audio information and the image information on the data area; and

recording management information of the audio information on the management area.

32. (Currently Amended) A method for reproducing audio information and image information from an information storage medium which comprises a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information; and a management area configured to store the management information of the audio information and the image information, the management information including first management information and second management information, wherein the first management information includes a time search table configured to search for the stored audio information ~~sequence information regarding a display sequence of still images of the image information and timing information regarding a display timing of the still images~~, the second management information includes numeral information describing a number status of the still images, the management information of the image information includes plural sets of management information items, and each set of the management information items is configured to contain said numeral information, said method comprising:

- reproducing management information from the management area; and
- reproducing at least one of the audio information and the image information from the data area.

33. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for recording audio information and image information on an information storage medium which comprises a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information, and a management area configured to store management information of the audio information and the

image information, the management information including first management information and second management information, wherein the first management information includes a time search table configured to search for the stored audio information
~~sequence information regarding a display sequence of still images of the image~~
~~information and timing information regarding a display timing of the still images~~, the second management information includes numeral information describing a number status of the still images, the management information of the image information includes plural sets of the management information items, and each set of the management information items is configured to contain said numeral information, said apparatus comprising:

- an audio encoder configured to encode an audio input to generate encoded audio information;

- a first recorder configured to record at least one of the encoded audio information and the image information on the data area; and

- a second ~~recorded~~ recorder configured to record the management information on the management area.

34. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for reproducing audio information and image information from an information storage medium which comprises a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information, and a management area configured to store management information of the audio information and the image information, the management information including first management information and second management information, wherein the first management information

includes a time search table configured to search for the stored audio information
~~sequence information regarding a display sequence of still images of the image~~
~~information and timing information regarding a display timing of the still images~~, the
second management information includes numeral information describing a number
status of the still images, the management information of the image information includes
plural sets of management information items, and each set of the management
information items is configured to contain said numeral information, said apparatus
comprising:

- a first reproducer configured to reproduce the management information of the
audio information from the management area;

- a second reproducer configured to reproduce at least one of the audio
information and the image information from the data area;

- an audio decoder configured to decode the audio information reproduced by the
second reproducer; and

- an image decoder configured to decode the image information reproduced by the
second reproducer.

35. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 34, further comprising:

- an image display section configured to display contents of the image information
decoded by the image decoder.

36. (Currently Amended) A semiconductor memory device for storing audio information and image information, comprising:

- a data area configured to store the audio information and the image information;
- and
- a management area configured to store management information of the audio information and the image information, wherein
 - the management information of the audio information includes a time search table configured to search for the stored audio information,
 - the management information of the image information includes plural sets of management information items, and
 - each set of the management information items is configured to contain numeral information describing a number status of still images.

37. (Previously Presented) A method for recording the audio and image information on the semiconductor memory device as defined in claim 36, said method comprising:

- recording at least one of the audio information and the image information on the data area; and
- recording the management information on the management area.

38. (Previously Presented) A method for reproducing the audio and image information from the semiconductor memory device as defined in claim 36, said method comprising:

reproducing the management information from the management area; and
reproducing at least one of the audio information and the image information from the data area.

39. (New) The medium of claim 29, wherein the number status of the still images including a bit setting configuration indicative of a representative image.